## CHAPTER 129.

## CELEBRATION OF THE SIEGE OF VICKSBURG.

H. F. 218.

AN ACT to enable the state of Iowa to assist in the celebration of the fifty-fourth anniversary of the campaign, siege and capture of Vicksburg, Mississippi, and to appropriate money therefor and provide for the disbursement thereof.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Siege of Vicksburg—celebration—appropriation. That out of any money of the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the purpose of enabling the state of Iowa to assist in the celebration of the fifty-fourth anniversary of the campaign, siege and capture of Vicksburg, Mississippi, upon the National Military Park at Vicksburg, Mississippi; said fund to be expended as follows: For each honorably discharged surviving participant of said campaign, siege and capture, union or confederate, now residing in the state of Iowa, the actual expenses of railroad fare to and from said National Military Park at Vicksburg, Mississippi, for the celebration of the fifty-fourth anniversary of said campaign, siege and capture on October 16, 17, 18 and 19, 1917, under the auspices of the national government and the state of Iowa commission. In no one case shall the cost exceed the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00). For the governor of Iowa and his staff, for attendance at the said celebration, there shall be allowed the like expense of transportation for each person.

- SEC. 2. Non-participants. That any citizen of Iowa who is a surviving veteran of the civil war on either side, but was not a participant in said campaign, siege and capture, who was honorably discharged, and desires to pay his own transportation to and from such celebration, shall be included in such peace jubilee with such subsistence as may be provided by the government of the United States.
- SEC. 3. Commission—duties. That E. J. C. Bealer, David J. Palmer and J. O. Stewart are hereby appointed a commission to disburse said appropriation under such rules and regulations as they may prescribe as to discharge, identification and presence at this campaign, siege and capture of each veteran, with such additional details as they may require to protect said appropriation and secure its payment to those only within the provisions of this act. Such fund shall be paid to this commission on or before July 4, 1917, upon their requisition on the state auditor therefor.
- SEC. 4. Commission—duties. That the said commission shall give public notice through the press of the state, so far as the same can be done without expense for publishing, and by distributing printed circulars concerning this appropriation and the rules adopted as to those claiming the benefit thereof. They shall secure reduced transportation so far as may be, and shall pay out said fund to those only for whose benefit it is created as found by the commission en-

titled thereto, but in no case in excess of the actual railroad fare to and from said National Military Park at Vicksburg, Mississippi. The said commission shall issue to each person entitled thereto a certificate showing his right to be included in the campaign, siege and capture at Vicksburg, Mississippi, as a surviving participant of the campaign, siege and capture of Vicksburg, Mississippi. The said commission shall serve without compensation, but the incidental expenses incurred by them shall be paid from such appropriation.

SEC. 5. Unexpended appropriation—report. Within thirty days from October 19, 1917, the said commission shall cover into the state treasury any portion of funds hereby appropriated which may have come into their hands and remain unexpended; and within thirty days thereafter they shall render to the governor of Iowa, to be laid before the next general assembly, a full account of their doings, together with a detailed account of all expenditures by them; provided that there shall be no authority to expend or contract for expenditures in excess of the amount hereby appropriated.

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# CHAPTER 130.

#### LYON COUNTY FAIR AND AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

### H. F. 176.

AN ACT to appropriate the sum of seven hundred forty-nine and 90-100 (\$749.90) dollars to the Lyon County Fair and Agricultural Association under the provisions of section one thousand six hundred sixty-one-a (1661-a) supplemental supplement to the code, 1915.

WHEREAS, the Lyon County Fair and Agricultural Association paid out in premiums during the year 1915, the sum one thousand seven hundred forty-nine and 50-100 (\$1749.50) dollars, and

WHEREAS, the officers of said association, laboring under a misapprehension that Attorney General Cosson had held in an opinion that a Doll Rack was not a gambling device, permitted the operation of a Doll Rack during a part of the time of the holding of its fair, and,

WHEREAS, under the provisions of section one thousand six hundred sixty-one-a (1661-a) supplemental supplement to the code 1915, the auditor of state refused to issue his warrant upon the state treasury for the sum of seven hundred forty-nine and 90-100 (\$749.90) dollars, because of the operation of the said Doll Rack, and,

WHEREAS, the said officers have made affidavit that they were acting in good faith and without the slightest belief that the use of the Doll Rack was gambling; therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Appropriation. That there is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated,
- 3 the sum of seven hundred forty-nine and 90-100 (\$749.90) dollars